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Applicant: E. Claeys

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Title: STRENGTHENING LAYER FOR USE IN COMPOSITES TO BE FORMED
BY MEANS OF VACUUM TECHNIQUE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Seattle, Washington 98101

September 18, 2003

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In response to the Examiner's action mailed August 19, 2003, applicant hereby elects the claims of the Examiner's Group I, Claims 1-18 and 21-24, for initial prosecution in this application.

Entry of the foregoing election and prompt favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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